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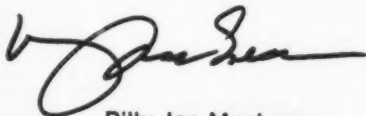


To His Honour
The Honourable Alan R. Abraham, C.D.
Lieutenant Governor of the
Province of Nova Scotia

Sir:

I have the honour to submit herewith, the fourth annual report of the
Advisory Council on Heritage Property, for the fiscal year con-
cluding March 31, 1985.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Billy Joe MacLean', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Billy Joe MacLean
Minister of Culture
Recreation and Fitness



Advisory Council on Heritage Property

The Minister's Advisory Council on Heritage Property is established under the Heritage Property Act of 1980. This is the fourth year that the Advisory Council has provided advice to the Minister concerning heritage properties and other related issues.

The purpose of the Heritage Property Act is to provide for the identification, designation, preservation, protection and rehabilitation of buildings, streetscapes and areas of historical, architectural or cultural value and to encourage their continued use.

The Heritage Property Act is administered by the Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness. The minister responsible is the Honourable Billy Joe MacLean.

Members of the Council

During 1984 — after four years of service, Elizabeth Ross retired from the Advisory Council. Three new members joined the Advisory Council, Dr. Jack Kerr, a former Mayor of Annapolis Royal, Ms. Candace Stevenson, the Director of the Nova Scotia Museum, and Mrs. Doris Flikke, a former Municipal Clerk for the County of Antigonish. These appointments bring the Advisory Council up to its full complement of twelve members. Council members are as follows:

- Gordon H. Thompson — Chairman
- Louis G. Stephen — Vice Chairman
- Charles W. MacIntosh
- George C. Piercey
- Tom D. Forrestall
- Candace J. Stevenson
- Gordon B. Kinsman
- Very Reverend E.B.N. Cochran
- Ronald M. Peck
- Yvonne M. Dallien
- Doris H. Flikke
- Dr. Jack R. Kerr

Recommendations for Registration

The Advisory Council noted that the following 13 properties, which it had previously recommended for registration, were duly registered during 1984-1985:

- Little Dutch Church, Brunswick Street, Halifax
- St. Mary's Basilica, Spring Garden Road, Halifax
- St. George's Anglican Church, Charlotte Street, Sydney, Cape Breton County
- Cornish Pump House, Stellarton, Pictou County
- Parker Farm, Bellisle, Annapolis County
- St. Mary's Polish Church, Wesley Street, Sydney, Cape Breton County
- Holy Ghost Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, West Street, Sydney, Cape Breton County
- St. Philip's African Orthodox Church, Hankard Street, Sydney, Cape Breton County
- Universalist Unitarian Church, Inglis Street, Halifax
- d'Entremont (Benoni) House, Lower West Pubnico, Yarmouth County
- Cole Harbour Heritage Farm — Farm & Settle/Harris House Cole Harbour, Halifax County
- Troop Barn, Granville Centre, Annapolis County
- Chignecto Marine Transport Railway — three sites Cumberland County

During the past year, the Council recommended that the Adams-Ritchie House in Annapolis Royal, Annapolis County be registered. This house, built in 1712-13, was registered by the Province and a plaque placed on it at a ceremony held on Heritage Day, February 18th.

The Provincial Registry of Heritage Property now contains thirty-nine properties which have been duly registered according to the Act.

Recommendations to Allow "Substantial Alterations" to Provincially Registered Properties

During the past year the Advisory Council dealt with requests for substantial alterations to the registered properties of the Ritcey House in Riverport, Lunenburg County, and the Universalist Unitarian Church, Inglis Street, Halifax. The Advisory Council recommended approval of the requests by the owners of the Ritcey House and the Universalist Unitarian Church.

Provincial Heritage Property Plaques

The Advisory Council reported that a suitable plaque has now been designed and produced. Eighteen were manufactured by Mr. Al Smith of Cape St. Mary's in Digby County. The Chairman and members of the Advisory Council participated in the presentation of plaques for three of the registered properties: Province House, Halifax, the Adams-Ritchie House, Annapolis Royal and the recently restored Court House Building on Spring Garden Road in Halifax.

Council Tour of Cape Breton

In October the Advisory Council spent three days in Cape Breton, visiting Port Hawkesbury, Baddeck and Sydney. At each of the places visited the Advisory Council heard briefs from interested individuals and organizations and hosted a reception. A total of twenty-two briefs were presented to the Advisory Council. Although many of these were requests for the registration of particular properties, other subjects included the promotion of heritage, communications, tax incentives, funds for conservation and the protection of interiors.

The Advisory Council considered the tour a success and plan a similar tour of Western Nova Scotia in June 1985.

Municipalities

The Advisory Council is encouraged to note that the municipalities of Bridgetown and District of Yarmouth have adopted heritage by-laws and appointed members to serve on their Heritage Advisory Committees.